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I. CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

A. Matters related to, and inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar for 1992

Introduction and overview

1. In its resolution 46/190 of 20 December 1991, the General Assembly approved the biennial calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992-1993 as set forth in annex II to the report of the Committee on Conferences to the Assembly at its forty-sixth session 1/ and amended by subsequent decisions taken by the Assembly during that session.

2. At its organizational session on 17 March 1992, the Committee agreed that proposed changes to the calendar that did not have programme budget implications could be dealt with by the Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Committee. The Committee was advised of a number of such changes during the course of 1992.

3. In addition, by written communication from the Secretary, the Committee was advised of requests for changes or additions to the approved calendar of conferences for 1992. The nature of the requests and the action taken by the Committee are described below:

(a) At the request of the executive secretariat of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Committee considered a proposal that the second part of the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee be extended by two days until 8 May 1992. The Committee approved the proposal on the understanding that the requested extension would not give rise to administrative or programme budget implications;

(b) In April 1992, the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council informed the Committee on Conferences that the twenty-eighth session of the Committee for Development Planning, originally scheduled to be held in New York from 20 to 24 April, would be held in Kuwait City from 18 to 22 April 1992, following the offer of the Government of Kuwait to host the session in accordance with the provisions of section I, paragraph 5, of General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, and the concurrence of the Bureau of the Economic and Social Council. On that basis and on the further understanding that the Committee for Development Planning would waive interpretation and other services for the meeting, which would be conducted in English, and that the Office of Conference Services would not assume any responsibility for the manner and level of servicing of the proposed session in Kuwait City, no objection was raised by the Committee on Conferences;

(c) In April 1992 the Committee was informed of a decision taken by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) to hold its thirty-sixth session at the headquarters of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in London and to request a one-week extension of the session. The decision regarding the venue of the meeting was in accordance with the provisions of section I, paragraph 4 (g), of resolution 40/243, which stipulate that:

"The International Civil Service Commission shall hold its regular annual session at United Nations Headquarters and, if more than one session is required in any one year, may accept an invitation from one of its participating organizations to hold its other session or sessions at the headquarters of that particular organization."

No objection was raised, on the understanding that the additional costs of extending the session by one week would be met from within the appropriation under the relevant section(s) of the 1992-1993 programme budget;

(d) In April 1992, the Committee was notified that the Commission on Transnational Corporations was not in a position to conclude the session on 15 April, as originally scheduled, and requested up to two additional meetings to that end. The request was approved by the Committee on the understanding that the proposed extension could be serviced from within existing resources, and the session was extended by one day;

(e) In May 1992, the Committee approved a request to schedule a resumed session of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in New York from 6 July 1992 for up to two weeks, on the understanding that the costs involved in servicing the session would be met from within the overall appropriations for conference services;

(f) In May 1992, the Committee approved a request to schedule a reconvened session of the Technical Meeting for the International Year for the World's Indigenous People at Geneva from 3 to 5 August 1992, following the session of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, owing to the relatively low rate of attendance at the session, on the understanding that the reconvened session would not give rise to any administrative difficulties for the Office of Conference Services and that the costs involved in servicing the meeting would be met from within the overall appropriation for conference servicing;

(g) In June 1992, the Committee received a request from the executive secretariat of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change to schedule the sixth session of the Committee from 19 to 23 October 1992 at Geneva in order to prepare for the first session of the Conference of the Parties. The request was approved by the Committee on Conferences on the understanding that the additional costs of holding the session would be met from within the appropriations under the relevant section(s) of the 1992-1993 programme budget;

(h) In July 1992, the Committee received a request from the Centre for Human Rights to schedule a one-day conference of the States parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment in New York during the second week of September 1992 in order to consider and vote on a proposed amendment to the Convention. The Committee was informed that the amendment in question involves the transfer of financial responsibility for operations under the Convention from the States parties to the regular budget of the United Nations. The New York venue was requested so that delegations participating in the conference would be in a position to follow up on the matter when it is considered by the Third and Fifth Committees during the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly. The request was approved on the understanding that the costs involved in servicing

a one-day session at the time requested would be met from within the overall appropriations for conference services, such that the conference would not give rise to programme budget implications for the relevant budget section;

(i) In July 1992, the Committee received a request from the World Food Council (WFC) to schedule a two-day meeting of its Ad Hoc Committee on the Review of the Council in New York on 14 and 15 September in order to prepare a report ad referendum, which would then be submitted to the General Assembly. The New York venue was requested because, in addition to the participation of high-level representatives from member countries of the Council, the participation of their missions in New York, which would subsequently participate in the General Assembly debate, would be highly desirable. Moreover, the Committee was informed that the work of the Ad Hoc Committee is relevant to the deliberations of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Economic and Social Council, and a meeting in New York would facilitate informal contacts between the two bodies. Lastly, such a meeting would bring the President of WFC into contact with the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General of the United Nations. The request was approved on the understanding that the costs involved in servicing a two-day session at the time requested would be met from within the overall appropriations for conference services and that travel costs and related expenses would similarly be met from within the overall appropriations for that purpose.

B. Adoption of the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings for 1993

Introduction and overview

4. At its 338th, 339th and 341st meetings, from 25 to 27 August 1992, the Committee on Conferences reviewed the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings for 1993 (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.6 and Add.1). In addition, the Committee considered a conference room paper containing a review of meeting and documentation requirements of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.3), as well as a consolidated statement of scheduled special conferences for 1993 (A/C.5/47/1).

5. The Secretariat also reported orally on the possible alternative scheduling arrangements for the Economic and Social Council.

Discussion

6. Further clarification was sought and received from the Secretariat on the various factors involved in the scheduling of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, the Governing Council of UNDP and the Executive Board of UNICEF.

7. It was noted that the draft revised calendar as presented included an overlap of some meetings, which should be avoided. Specific reference was made to the World Conference on Human Rights, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law meeting concurrently at Vienna, and the Commission on Human Rights at Geneva, which overlapped with the organizational session of

the Economic and Social Council meeting in New York. The Secretariat informed the Committee that services and facilities would be available for the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law in July 1993.

8. Sessional dates were evaluated with a view to ensuring that necessary input from the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions would be available to organs when considering administrative and financial matters.

Conclusions and recommendations

9. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it:

(a) Adopt the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 1993 as submitted and amended with regard to the schedule of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (see para. 15, below) by the Committee on Conferences and to authorize the Committee to make any adjustments that might become necessary as a result of actions and decisions taken by the Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

(b) Request all subsidiary bodies, in order to enhance optimum utilization of conference-servicing resources, to seek the technical advice of the Office of Conference Services on the availability of conference-servicing facilities and resources before making recommendations on or adjustments in the dates and periodicity of future sessions;

(c) Request the Executive Board of UNICEF and the Governing Council of UNDP to continue to evaluate their meeting and documentation requirements with a view to reducing them, where possible, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session.

10. The Committee requested the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to review and adjust, as necessary, their schedules for 1993, in order to ensure that the input from the Advisory Committee would be available to that body during its substantive session.

11. The Committee took note of the information provided in the consolidated statement of special conferences scheduled for 1993.

12. The Committee, in noting that it would consider the item on meetings of organs and programmes not funded from the regular budget in 1993, requested the Secretariat to report on, inter alia, the cost-implications for the regular budget of conference services provided.

13. The Committee requested the Secretariat to present to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session a statement of programme budget implications on the proposed restructuring of the intergovernmental machinery of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

14. The Committee requested the Chairman to address a letter to all organs suggesting that they examine a comprehensive list of the reports being requested in draft decisions, before the end of each regular session, with a view to reducing the overall number and volume of separate reports.

15. The Committee recommended that the timing of the twenty-sixth session of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law be adjusted so as to avoid overlapping with the World Conference on Human Rights.

16. The Committee wished to bring to the attention of the Economic and Social Council the schedule of its organizational session and of the substantive session of the Commission on Human Rights with a view to avoiding the existing overlap.

C. Improved utilization of conference-servicing resources: meeting statistics of United Nations organs

Introduction and overview

17. Since 1983, the Committee on Conferences has studied a series of reports showing the meeting statistics of a number of United Nations organs in New York, Geneva and Vienna. At its substantive meetings held on 28 August 1990, the Committee agreed to put into experimental use a newly proposed methodology to run parallel with the existing methodology for the next three years. In view of that decision, the Committee reviewed two reports on meeting statistics at its 339th and 341st meetings, on 26 and 27 August 1992: a report compiled in accordance with existing methodology (A/AC.172/88/Add.10), and one using the new methodology (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.7).

18. At its 334th meeting, in March 1992, the Committee, taking account of the biennial scheduling of some intergovernmental bodies, decided to consider the agenda item on measures to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the use of conference-servicing resources to 1993, in order to have the most complete and comprehensive information possible. In accordance with decisions taken by the Committee at the same meeting, a conference room paper was also available which contained replies received to date to the Chairman's letters on utilization of conference-servicing resources (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.17 and Add.1).

Discussion

19. During the exchange of views on the existing methodology, it was stressed that there was a need for qualitative indicators to assess whether an intergovernmental/expert body had efficiently utilized the time allocated to it, and for retrospective information. In addition, it would be helpful to have a cost per hour of meeting time that reflected all services and facilities required.

20. With regard to the experimental methodology that was running in parallel with the existing one through 1992, the Committee sought to define the purpose of the additional elements included in the experimental methodology as indicative of how accurately any given body predicted or planned its sessions. With that objective in mind, the meeting ratio and planning accuracy factors were proving to be useful, since they quantified the percentage of meetings actually held for which resources had been made available.

21. During discussion on the availability index for pre-session documentation, it was stated that any submission after the six-week deadline was a delay, representing non-compliance with the rules and regulations of the General Assembly. The index as presented implied a secondary deadline, which should not be encouraged or tolerated. In contrast, it was stated that the index was intended to be a qualitative and objective presentation of the prevailing situation. The proposal was made to assess two separate facets of the availability of pre-session documentation. The first, to be entitled compliance index, would measure the percentage of pre-session documentation issued in accordance with the six-week rule. The second, the availability index, would provide an indication of the actual rate of delivery calculated on a week-by-week basis.

22. In response to questions raised, the Secretariat provided further information on the calculations, including on the overall and average utilization factors, and on various differences in the meetings programme at each duty station that affected utilization.

Conclusions and recommendations

23. The Committee requested the Chairman to consult on its behalf with the chairmen of organs where the utilization factor had been lower than the established benchmark figure for the last three sessions with a view to making appropriate recommendations in order to achieve the optimum utilization of conference-servicing resources.

24. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should urge all United Nations organs to utilize the conference services allocated to them in the most efficient and effective manner, taking account of the costs involved in such services, and to maximize the accuracy with which they forecast the number of fully serviced meetings they would require, through, inter alia, improved planning of informal consultations.

25. The Committee approved the two indices for assessing the availability of pre-session documentation (compliance and availability) and requested the Secretariat to incorporate the new calculations in future reports.

26. The Committee requested the Secretariat to expand the representational sample of bodies included in future papers on the experimental methodology, and to provide a historical perspective of the trends perceived in all future reports on the utilization of conference-servicing resources.

27. The Committee requested the Secretariat to develop a notional cost per hour of meeting time that would include all services involved, and to bring the costing to the attention of the members of all United Nations organs.

28. The Committee requested the Secretariat to bring the relevant General Assembly resolutions and guidelines on the utilization of conference-servicing resources to the attention of the members of all United Nations organs at the start of their sessions.

D. Improved organization of work and effective use of conference resources: possibility of coordinated planning of all organizational aspects of conference servicing

Introduction and overview

29. In paragraphs 8 and 17 of its resolution 46/190, the General Assembly requested the Committee on Conferences to examine, in the light of the approved calendars of conferences and meetings, trends in meeting and documentation requirements, as well as statistics and projections covering the period from 1984 to 1993, and invited the Committee to strengthen its efforts in the coordinated planning of conference-servicing resources, including an examination of the current situation.

30. At its 339th and 340th meetings, on 26 August 1992, the Committee considered two conference room papers submitted by the Secretariat, one of which set forth in detail the trends in meetings and documentation requirements (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.2). The other (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.9) described the current situation of coordinated planning and presented a compendium of the existing legislative guidelines and rules on conferences and conference services and the criteria reported by secretariats that are used by various United Nations bodies to determine their conference-servicing requirements and/or those of the groups that such intergovernmental bodies intended to establish.

Discussion

31. In reviewing the report on trends in meeting and documentation requirements, attention was drawn to the discrepancies in presentation among the three duty stations (New York, Geneva and Vienna), which made it difficult to compare and analyse the information. In addition, a breakdown by sector of requirements and trends and information on the original estimates of the Secretariat would have been beneficial in assessing the information provided and in projecting resource requirements. It was also noted that the Secretariat had reported on trends indicating growth, but had omitted reference to those sectors where reductions had occurred.

32. In response to questions raised, the Secretariat provided further information on a number of issues, including the volume and distribution of the translation workload at the three duty stations, the statistics relating to editing at Headquarters, the use of overprogramming to manage the recruitment of free-lance interpretation staff more efficiently, the existing procedures for documentation-processing at the United Nations Office at Vienna, the sum-total of frozen and vacant posts in the Office of Conference Services and the various training programmes for language staff.

33. The paper on the current situation of coordinated planning was viewed as a useful reference document for future discussions on the possibility of coordinated planning.

Conclusions and recommendations

34. The Committee took note of the information presented in the reports.

35. The Committee requested the Secretariat to ensure that future reports on trends in meetings and documentation requirements and the related workload statistics were presented in a more consistent and comparable manner and included a sector-by-sector analysis.

36. The Committee concluded that the ultimate aim for all organizational aspects of conference servicing would be to develop further a system of global planning and coordination, in order to ensure the most cost-effective management of the meeting and documentation resources, while maintaining the requisite high quality of services.

E. Requests for exceptions to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243

Introduction and overview

37. At its 335th and 341st meetings, on 24 and 27 August 1992, the Committee considered a conference room paper and addenda containing requests from subsidiary bodies for exceptions to be made to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243, which states that no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly may meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.8 and Add.1 and 2).

38. In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee, the requests included explanations as to (a) why the bodies wished to meet; (b) why they had not completed their work by the deadline of 1 September laid down in section I, paragraph 6, of resolution 40/243; (c) why it was necessary to meet during the Assembly session; and (d) how many meetings would be required. Statistical information was also provided on the number of meetings, if any, the bodies concerned had held during the forty-sixth session of the Assembly and the efficiency with which they had utilized the resources made available to them.

39. The paper also presented an analysis of requests received over the past five years, which identified three categories of requests: (a) meetings required to keep ongoing developments under review; (b) meetings required owing to relatively late cut-off dates for receipt of information; and (c) extraordinary or exceptional circumstances and proposed guidelines whereby Committees falling into categories (a) and (b) could apply for exemption from the provisions of section I, paragraph 7, of resolution 40/243.

40. In introducing the paper, the representative of the Secretariat noted that the following subsidiary organs had requested to meet during the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly: Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC), Committee on Relations with the Host Country, Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa, Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Advisory Committee on the United

Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, the Special Committee against Apartheid, the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and the Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa.

Discussion

41. In reviewing the requests received, it was noted that the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People had a relatively low utilization rate for meetings held during regular sessions of the General Assembly as compared to other Committees and that the request from the Special Committee against Apartheid had not specified the number of meetings likely to be required during the forty-seventh session. Attention was also drawn to the fact that any eventual recommendation to grant an exception to CPC to meet at Headquarters during the forty-seventh session should not be taken as indicative of a future authorization for that Committee to meet at Headquarters during regular sessions of the Assembly. Instead, CPC should be encouraged to schedule future resumed sessions in the first part of September, prior to the opening of the General Assembly.

42. The Committee discussed the proposed adjustments in procedures in terms of maintaining the present practice whereby meetings of subsidiary bodies during regular sessions of the Assembly should be seen as exceptional rather than routine. To that end, subsidiary bodies should not be granted exceptions on a permanent basis, and those bodies with relatively late cut-off dates for receipt of information should be encouraged to adjust those dates in order to obviate future requests.

Conclusions and recommendations

43. The Committee agreed to recommend to the General Assembly that it should explicitly authorize the following bodies to meet in New York during the forty-seventh session of the Assembly on the understanding that meetings would have to be accommodated as facilities and services became available so that the activities of the General Assembly itself were not adversely affected: Committee on Relations with the Host Country, Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa, Executive Board of UNICEF, Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, the Special Committee against Apartheid, the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and the Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa.

44. The Committee decided to maintain its present practices with regard to considering future requests and renewed its request to subsidiary bodies which required meetings during the Assembly owing to relatively late cut-off dates for receipt of information to adjust those dates, if possible, by moving them forward.

45. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should authorize CPC to hold its resumed session from 31 August to 18 September 1992, on the above-mentioned understanding with regard to services and facilities, and encouraged CPC to schedule required resumed sessions in the future during the first part of September, prior to the opening of the General Assembly.

II. CONTROL AND LIMITATION OF DOCUMENTATION

A. Communications from Member States circulated as documents of the United Nations

Introduction and overview

46. The General Assembly, in paragraphs 4 and 5 of its resolution 45/238 B of 21 December 1990, on the recommendation of the Committee on Conferences, renewed its appeal to Member States to exercise restraint in their requests for the circulation of communications as United Nations documents and to keep their submissions as brief as possible, as well as its appeal to Member States and organizations of the United Nations system to respond in a timely manner to requests for information for inclusion in documents.

47. At its 312th and 313th meetings, on 20 and 21 August 1990, the Committee reviewed a report on communications from Member States circulated as documents of the United Nations (A/AC.172/142/Rev.1) and agreed that it would keep the matter under review and would report further to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session. At its 335th meeting, on 24 August 1992, the Committee reviewed a report by the Secretariat which presented statistics on communications from Member States circulated as United Nations documents for 1991, as well as an overview of the total number of communications circulated from 1988 to May 1992 (A/AC.172/148).

48. In introducing the document, the representative of the Secretariat outlined the various steps involved in processing communications and noted that almost 80 per cent of the communications were circulated as documents of the Security Council, which often required treatment on a priority basis.

Discussion

49. In response to questions raised, the Secretariat indicated that most communications required approximately two to three days for processing, and that the volume of communications was not as problematic as the tight timing involved. It would, therefore, be extremely helpful to have communications submitted in a concise, precise and complete form, thus avoiding the need for any further consultations prior to processing.

50. In reviewing the statistical information presented, the Committee discussed the impossibility of identifying a trend for any year for any Member State. That was evident in view of the fact that some requests for communications were in the form of a communiqué of a meeting, and/or submitted by Member State(s) on behalf of a group of States.

Conclusions and recommendations

51. The Committee took note of the information provided in the report of the Secretary-General (A/AC.172/148).

52. While maintaining that it was the sovereign right of Member States to request circulation of communications as official documents, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should renew the appeal to Member States to exercise restraint in their requests for circulation of communications.

53. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly to appeal to Member States to submit requests for circulation of communications in the most appropriate, brief, complete, concise and timely manner possible.

B. Reports of subsidiary organs to the General Assembly: compliance with the desirable 32-page limit

Introduction and overview

54. The General Assembly, in paragraphs 12 to 16 of its resolution 37/14 C of 16 November 1982, established guidelines for the format, content and length of the reports submitted to the Assembly by its subsidiary bodies and issued as supplements to the Official Records of the General Assembly. In paragraph 14, the Assembly again requested subsidiary organs, particularly those receiving written meeting records, to strive to keep their reports within the desirable limit of 32 pages, which had been set out in paragraph 5 of section II of resolution 36/117 A of 10 December 1981.

55. At its substantive session in 1990, the Committee considered a report of the Secretary-General (A/AC.172/139) summarizing experience since 1981. On the basis of its deliberations, the Committee requested the Secretariat to prepare a study on the 32-page limit with inputs received from substantive secretariats of subsidiary bodies. That report (A/AC.172/149) was considered by the Committee at its 335th, 336th and 340th meetings, on 24 and 26 August 1992.

Discussion

56. Reference was made to the established guidelines aimed at reducing the volume and length of documentation if possible, and to the need for a fresh analysis of the 32-page limit, if it placed subsidiary organs in a position whereby they could not comply while maintaining both quality and mandated reporting obligations. The 32-page figure was perhaps arbitrarily based on technical factors involved in processing documentation, which might no longer be valid.

57. Difficulty in complying with the limit, however, was not necessarily a reason to abandon the principle. Efforts, in general, could be made to draft more concise reports, and to reduce the length of final reports that had been excessively long. It was suggested that some material traditionally annexed to final reports, such as the calendar of conferences in the report of the Committee on Conferences, could be brought to the attention of the General Assembly in a different manner.

Conclusions and recommendations

58. The Committee took note of the statistical information included in the report of the Secretary-General. With a view to an ultimate reduction in the volume of documentation without compromising on quality or the mandated reporting obligations of individual organs, and taking account of potential benefits from new technology, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it:

(a) Request the Secretariat to bring the relevant General Assembly resolutions, rules and regulations on control and limitation of documentation, including the guidelines for drafting reports as contained in General Assembly resolution 37/14, to the attention of all organs at the start of sessions;

(b) Request Member States to exercise restraint in requesting documentation and in the submission of their reports;

(c) Request those subsidiary organs that comply with the desirable 32-page limit to continue that welcome practice;

(d) Urge those subsidiary organs that have been unable to comply with the desirable 32-page limit to continue their attempts to reduce the length of future reports without compromising on quality or on mandated reporting obligations.

59. The Committee requested the Secretariat:

(a) In cooperation with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), to incorporate information on the preferred format of reports, and relevant costs involved in processing documentation into existing briefings and training programmes for new delegates and Secretariat officials who are involved in the various phases of preparing final reports of United Nations bodies with a view to ensuring the production of more concise reports;

(b) To prepare a model for final reports of subsidiary organs, based on existing drafting guidelines, for the Committee's continued consideration of this agenda item.

C. Provision of written meeting records to subsidiary organs of the General Assembly

Introduction and overview

60. The General Assembly, in its resolution 36/117 A, requested the Committee on Conferences to undertake a comprehensive study of the rationale underlying the provision of meeting records to United Nations organs. Having considered the report of the Committee, the Assembly, in its resolution 37/14 C, decided that, for an experimental period of three years, no subsidiary organ of the Assembly should be entitled to summary records, with the following seven exceptions:

(a) Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean;

(b) Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People;

(c) International Law Commission;

(d) Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;

(e) Special Committee against Apartheid;

(f) United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

(g) United Nations Council for Namibia.

61. The General Assembly, under resolutions 40/243, 41/177 D and 44/196 B, subsequently extended that experimental period until 31 December 1990. In its resolution 45/238 B, the Assembly decided, pending its further decision on the recommendation of the Committee on Conferences, that no subsidiary organ of the Assembly would be entitled to summary records with the exception of the aforementioned bodies. The Assembly also decided that summary records would continue to be provided to regular and special sessions of the following governing bodies: the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; and the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

62. At its 336th meeting, on 24 August 1992, the Committee considered a conference room paper (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.4), which presented statistical information on the number of meetings with summary records in New York, Geneva and Vienna for the period from 1988-1991. In that paper, the Secretariat indicated that the application of a variety of technological innovations in verbatim reporting had increased the capacity of the Verbatim Reporting Section, enabling it to assume responsibility for the preparation of the final text of verbatim records, including the issuance of consolidated corrigenda. The Secretariat proposed that the verbatim records of the Security Council and of the plenary meetings of the General Assembly be issued in final form, subject to correction, on the understanding that consolidated corrigenda would be issued at appropriate intervals as part of the official records of the body concerned.

Discussion

63. With regard to summary records, it was noted that some bodies that received summary records continued to submit lengthy reports to the General Assembly, often in excess of the desirable 32-page limit. It was, perhaps, opportune not to provide summary records to those bodies. In addition, it would be useful to have information on the interrelation between summary records and the length of reports.

64. The existence of a common denominator in the bodies that continued to receive summary records was also discussed, in terms of identifying the basis on which a given body was entitled to receive written meeting records and evaluating if the original criteria still applied.

65. With regard to the proposed adjustments in the issuance of verbatim records, clarification was sought and received from the Secretariat on the timetable and modalities for issuing the consolidated corrigenda, and on the necessary consultations prior to implementing the proposed adjustment for issuance of verbatim records of the Security Council.

Conclusions and recommendations

66. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should request the Secretariat to issue the verbatim records of the plenary meetings of the General Assembly in final form, on the understanding that consolidated corrigenda would be issued at appropriate intervals.

67. The Committee requested the Secretariat to pursue the possibility of issuing the verbatim records of the Security Council in a similar manner.

68. The Committee requested the Secretariat, taking account of the comments made by members of the Committee, to review and report on the criteria, status and guidelines that were the basis for prior recommendations to and of the General Assembly on the provision of written meeting records to its subsidiary organs. The report should include an assessment of the current validity of the guidelines and should be presented to the Committee on Conferences at its 1993 substantive session.

D. Implementation of the rules and regulations on control and limitation of documentation: compliance with the six-week rule for issuance of pre-session documentation

Introduction and overview

69. At its organizational meeting, held on 17 March 1992, the Committee on Conferences, pursuant to paragraph 24 of General Assembly resolution 46/190, requested the Secretariat to provide a written report on Secretariat compliance with the six-week rule for issuance of pre-session documentation to its 1992 substantive session. It was also decided that the Secretariat would report on the implementation of paragraph 25 of General Assembly resolution 46/190, under this agenda item.

70. At its 336th meeting, on 24 August 1992, the Committee considered the matter on the basis of a conference room paper (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.5) and an oral report from the Secretariat on its compliance with paragraph 25 of General Assembly resolution 46/190.

Discussion

71. It was observed that there seemed to be a general lack of compliance with the six-week rule, and that the report provided by the Secretariat again presented an overview of the current situation rather than proposals for solutions. Specific reference was made to the conference room paper submitted under agenda item 2 (b) on the utilization of conference-servicing resources, which presented information on the calculation of an availability index on

pre-session documentation, but failed to provide any specific data on the availability of pre-session documentation for intergovernmental/expert bodies. The Committee had anticipated receiving more in-depth analysis in order to evaluate, inter alia, the effect that the timely issuance of quality documentation had on the utilization factor, and the prevailing situation with regard to availability as compared to previous years.

72. The relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions on the control and limitation of documentation specified that pre-session documentation should be submitted 10 weeks, and issued six weeks, prior to the opening date of a session. Further, a detailed report on the exact status of pre-session documentation should be issued eight weeks prior to the opening date. That, in turn, established that the Office of Conference Services had four weeks to edit, translate, type, print and issue pre-session documentation. If documentation were submitted late, and if the sessional dates were not adjusted, late-submission reduced the time available to the Office of Conference Services, thereby placing an additional burden on its documentation capacity. It was therefore necessary fully to examine and control all organizational aspects of Secretariat compliance related to the documentation process, including within author departments.

73. It was also noted that the report on the status of documentation would greatly assist intergovernmental/expert bodies in planning their work, taking account of the timely availability of documentation, and adjusting sessional dates if necessary.

74. In response to questions raised, the Secretariat indicated that the restructuring process and the assignment of staff to field missions had affected all areas involved in processing documentation, from drafting through issuance. Historically, the Secretariat had striven for better discipline in drafting and submitting documentation, and had and continued to maximize the use of technological innovations, in order to eliminate bottlenecks in the processing stages. However, the situation was currently exacerbated by time-constraints caused by late-submission and aggravated by the increased quantity of Security Council-related documentation, which had to be processed on an urgent basis. Without spectacular changes in technology available, such as in the development of usable machine translation, or voice recognition technology that would reduce time spent in transcription, keyboarding and typing, it was unlikely that technology would significantly assist the Secretariat specifically in the area of translation.

75. The information printed on each document on the various dates of the documentation process was useful, but confusing in presentation. It would greatly assist delegations if an explanatory document could be issued and widely distributed.

Conclusions and recommendations

76. The Committee decided to repeat and strongly confirm its insistence on full compliance with paragraph 24 of resolution 46/190.

77. The Committee emphasized that the resolution established three separate deadlines relating to the issuance of pre-session documentation. First,

author departments should submit pre-session documentation for processing to the Office of Conference Services 10 weeks prior to the start of a session. Secondly, a report on the status of preparation of pre-session documentation should be issued eight weeks prior to the scheduled start of a session. Thirdly, all pre-session documentation should be issued six weeks prior to the scheduled opening date.

78. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it urge subsidiary organs to review their agendas with a view to assessing if they could assist in compliance with the six-week rule, via such things as merging/combining agenda items, and limiting requests for pre-session documentation wherever possible.

79. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should issue an appeal to intergovernmental bodies to make active use of the report on the state of preparation of pre-session documentation when reviewing the organizational arrangements for substantive sessions.

80. The Committee requested the Secretariat to intensify its efforts in interdepartmental consultation and cooperation in order to improve the timely availability of documentation, and to report on the steps taken in that regard to the Committee when it next considered the agenda item on compliance with the six-week rule.

81. The Committee regretted that the Secretariat had not provided the information requested on the availability index for pre-session documentation, and requested the Secretariat to ensure that future reports on meeting and documentation statistics fully incorporate quantitative information on the availability of pre-session documentation.

82. The Committee requested the Secretariat to reissue the document that provided explanations of the indicator dates included on all documents, pursuant to paragraph 25 of General Assembly resolution 46/190. The Committee also requested the Secretariat to include that information in future issues of the handbook entitled Information for Delegations.

III. UNITED NATIONS PUBLICATIONS POLICY: IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 43/222 B, PARAGRAPH 4 (h)

Introduction and overview

83. In paragraph 4 (h) of its resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988, the General Assembly decided, inter alia, that the Committee on Conferences should "monitor the policy of the Organization on publications, with the assistance of the Publications Board of the Secretariat and taking into account the positions adopted by the Committee on Information and other relevant bodies".

84. The General Assembly, in its resolution 46/185 B, section VI, entitled "Publications policy", requested the Secretary-General "to review the overall publications policy of the Organization, including its technical aspects and possible coordination at the level of the system, and to present a report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session".

85. In a related decision (draft resolution II), the Committee on Information, at its fourteenth session, recommended that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General:

> "to direct the Publications Board to develop criteria and review all publications and proposals for publications to ensure, inter alia, that each publication fulfils an identifiable mandate and need, is timely, does not duplicate other publications inside or outside the United Nations system, and is cost-effective, and that before the publication is printed, it satisfies the criteria on the basis of which it was authorized". 2/

86. At its 335th meeting, on 24 August 1992, the Committee on Conferences reviewed a conference room paper that contained an annotated provisional outline of the aforementioned report (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.1). The Secretariat indicated that the study would begin with a detailed review of existing publications policies and the measures for monitoring their implementation, followed by a review of present practices in preparation and dissemination of publications, through distribution and sales. Arrangements for other types of revenue-producing activities would also be reviewed, including a description of the division of the responsibilities for activities at the various stages in the processing and dissemination of publications.

87. The second part of the study would identify areas in which revisions to present policies might be desirable and would recommend changes in policy based upon an analysis of the present requirements of the Organization.

Discussion

88. While recognizing that the conference room paper was an outline of what would be a more complete report, the Committee stressed that the report requested by General Assembly resolution 46/185 should be analytical in nature, and should present a critical assessment of the publications policies and practices, including identifications of possible duplications, or contradictions between instructions. In addition, the report could elaborate on present or proposed control mechanisms that could assist in evaluating both

the impact of publications and the extent to which the publications meet their stated objectives.

89. Since a generalized knowledge of the objectives of the United Nations publications programme would provide insight into the issue, certain structural changes were proposed to clarify the distinction between the descriptive and analytical portions of the finalized report.

90. The Secretariat provided clarification on some aspects of the proposed study, including its intention to identify areas likely to need critical analysis, or changes in policy. At that stage, however, it was only possible to outline in detail the presentation of current policy.

Conclusions and recommendations

91. The Committee requested the Secretariat to proceed with the report on publications as outlined in the conference room paper, taking into account the views expressed during the discussion.

IV. REVIEW OF THE OFFICE OF CONFERENCE SERVICES: IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 46/190

Introduction and overview

92. At its 337th, 338th and 340th meetings, on 25 and 26 August 1992, the Committee on Conferences, in accordance with paragraph 26 of resolution 46/190, considered the report of the Secretary-General on the review of the Office of Conference Services (A/47/336).

Discussion

93. The Committee discussed the scope and breadth of the report of the Secretary-General, and heard some views which emphasized the timidity of proposals contained therein. The need to focus on capacity management and utilization were cited as examples thereof. Additional details could be given in the context of further reports from and briefings by the Secretariat.

94. On the other hand, the report did provide a good overview of the current situation, which was welcomed.

95. Clarification was sought and provided by the Secretariat on the workings and/or organizational structure of each Division of the Office of Conference Services, including on the phased approach to introducing new technologies and potential benefits in terms of quality and productivity at all duty stations.

96. In response to questions raised on possible areas for future study, the Secretariat reaffirmed that the report of the Secretary-General summarized findings and recommendations, following a series of consultations and meetings by separate task forces as part of the fact-finding stage of the study. In general, the review was aimed at identifying even small steps that could lead to savings. For example, each page of documentation required significant workload in editing, referencing, translating, typing, printing and distributing. In response to a question, the Secretariat could not comment on entitlements established by intergovernmental organs; however, from a purely financial point of view, a study of the cost factors involved in meeting those entitlements might be undertaken. Utilization of capacity was a key issue, and the institution of a global planning system covering all duty stations would assist in that regard. It was also noted that the study had identified and reported on revenue-producing activities.

Conclusions and recommendations

97. The Committee noted that the organizational structure of the Office of Conference Services was currently being analysed as part of a broader review of the structure of the Secretariat as a whole. The Committee regarded the report of the Secretary-General, in that context, as a good description of the problems with which the Office of Conference Services was faced.

98. The Committee recognized that circumstances referred to in paragraph 3 of the report which were outside the direct purview of the Office of Conference Services affect the Office's performance, and should, therefore, be taken into consideration in a wider review.

99. The Committee decided to take note of the concrete recommendations made by and action implemented within the Secretariat, as contained in section III of the report of the Secretary-General. The Committee noted, however, that the cost-benefit aspects of the applications of new technologies and the financial implications of the recommendations contained in the report were not adequately addressed, and should be further reported on, as foreseen in paragraphs 36 and 37 of the report.

100. With regard to the gaps in the report and in the absence of far-reaching proposals for addressing some concerns expressed by delegations, the Committee requested the Secretariat, based on the information and knowledge accumulated during preparation of the report, to continue to monitor developments affecting the performance of the Office of Conference Services, including, but not limited to the following, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session through the Committee on Conferences and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:

(a) Assisting the Committee on Conferences in fulfilling its mandate;

(b) Identifying constraints that inhibit, and taking appropriate action to improve Secretariat compliance with, the six-week rule for availability of pre-session documentation;

(c) Ensuring that there is adequate interdepartmental cooperation on timely submission of quality pre-session documentation;

(d) The feasibility of capitalizing on the features of the Document Records, Information and Tracking System for ensuring timely submission of pre-session documentation, and expanding that system to Vienna;

(e) Forecasting of meeting requirements and necessary support services, via such things as sector-by-sector presentation and analysis of trends and analysis of its implications for the management of conference-servicing capacity;

(f) Analysing and reporting on the utilization world-wide of conference-servicing capacity;

(g) System-wide coordination of the provision of conference services;

(h) A cost-benefit analysis of video-conferencing.

V. REVIEW OF THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1992-1997: CONFERENCE AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Introduction and overview

101. In section II, paragraph 6, of its resolution 43/219 of 21 December 1988, the General Assembly endorsed the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination 3/ on the calendar of consultations on the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997. 4/ The proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 for conference and library services were issued in document A/47/6 (Prog. 39) and, in accordance with resolution 43/219 and pursuant to decisions of the Committee on Conferences taken at its organizational session for 1992, that document was placed before the Committee at its 336th and 337th meetings, on 24 and 25 August 1992.

Discussion

102. With regard to paragraph 39.5 on the anticipated demands for conference-servicing, there was an extensive discussion on the basis for assumptions made by the Secretariat and the need, if any, to revise the paragraph as originally adopted by the General Assembly. The proposed revision assumed there would be an increase in conference-servicing requirements, although there might not be any reason for that assumption.

103. With regard to paragraph 39.9, it was believed that the wording with regard to unified conference services at Vienna was misleading and to a certain extent prejudged the outcome of consultations. Further revisions to that paragraph were proposed to specify that proposed improvements should be intended to lead to greater efficiencies and economies.

104. Clarification was sought and received from the Secretariat on portions of revisions to the plan, including on the existing German Translation Section, the proposed establishment of a separate Contractual Translation Unit, the estimated investment costs of technology and the extent to which proposed revisions were affected by the ongoing studies on the Office of Conference Services.

Conclusions and recommendations

105. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should approve the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, major programme IX, Common support services, programme 39, Conference and library services, as set forth in document A/47/6 (Prog. 39).

106. The Committee suggested rewording six paragraphs of document A/47/6 (Prog. 39) as follows:

(a) The revision to paragraph 39.5 would read: "Replace the second and third sentences by the following:

"On the one hand, the enhanced role of the Organization in the preservation of international peace and security, the expansion of the activity of the Security Council and its subsidiary organs are factors that may tend to increase the number of meetings and conferences held under the auspices of the United Nations, as well as the consequent demand for conference services during the medium-term plan period. At the same time, the trend towards greater multilateral cooperation in a wide range of economic, social, environmental and legal fields has begun to lead to increases in the number of meetings and conferences held under the auspices of the United Nations, including special conferences with the participation of all Member States, often at very senior levels. These developments may have implications for the demand for conference services during the remainder of the medium-term plan period.";

(b) In the revision to paragraph 39.9:

(i) After the words "United Nations bodies meeting at Vienna", the words "within the framework of a unified joint conference services to be agreed upon among the organizations concerned" would be inserted;

(ii) After the words "During the medium-term plan period conference-servicing facilities", the words "including those" would be added, and after the words "will be strengthened", the words "to the extent that improvements can lead to greater efficiencies and economies," would be added;

(c) In paragraph 39.44, in the fourth sentence, following the words "with a possible subsystem for German" the words "- which would be financed through extrabudgetary resources -" would be added;

(d) In paragraph 39.45, after the words "electronic resources," the words "and its overall cost-effectiveness and efficiency" would be added;

(e) In paragraph 39.46 (e), the first two sentences would read as follows:

"Greater reliance will be placed on contractual translation for those documents which lend themselves to that process. Particular consideration should be given to the extent to which such reliance promotes greater efficiency and cost-effectiveness.";

(f) In paragraph 39.49 (a), the word "relevant" would be added after the words "To provide more".

VI. ORGANIZATION OF WORK OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES

A. Review of meeting requirements, implementation of resolution 46/190

B. Biennialization of agenda item entitled "Pattern of conferences"

Introduction and overview

107. The General Assembly, in its resolution 46/190, took note of the comprehensive programme of work and biennialization of work programme of the Committee on Conferences, called upon the Committee to continue to explore ways and means for a more effective implementation of its terms of reference, decided to consider at its forty-seventh session the desirability and possibility of biennializing the agenda item "Pattern of conferences" in the context of the ongoing efforts to improve the work of the Fifth Committee by, inter alia, biennializing items of its agenda, and requested all subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly to undertake informal consultations on a regular basis for the purpose of improving the utilization of their conference-servicing resources.

108. The General Assembly, in its resolution 46/220 of 20 December 1991, approved the biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1992-1993, the annex of which provides for annual consideration of the item entitled "Pattern of conferences", and requested the subsidiary bodies reporting to the Fifth Committee to adjust their programme of work to conform to the biennial work programme for the Fifth Committee.

109. At its 341st meeting, on 27 August 1992, the Committee on Conferences reviewed its organization and programme of work on the basis of an oral report from the Secretariat on the Committee's entitlements to and utilization of conference-servicing resources and a conference room paper (A/AC.172/1992/CRP.12), which included proposed adjustments in formatting and scheduling agenda items.

Discussion

110. The Committee discussed the possibility of holding its substantive session earlier in the year, with a short resumed session in August to consider the draft calendar of conferences and meetings, on the understanding that the overall duration of its session would not change.

111. With regard to the proposed adjustments in agenda items, the Committee wished to establish a clear conceptual division between items, and to keep open the possibility of the annual consideration of some items. The existing distinction between meeting and documentation-related items and the corresponding biennialized programme of work was deemed appropriate.

Conclusions and recommendations

112. The Committee on Conferences concluded that the overall duration and annual periodicity of its sessions should not be adjusted, and decided that its substantive session for 1993 should be held in March or early April, with a short meeting in August to review the draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1994-1995.

113. The Committee wished to maintain its present biennialized programme of work, and decided to keep under consideration the possibility of whether other criteria could be applied for further biennializing.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Usefulness and feasibility of installing an appropriate signalling system whenever a speech time-limit is established in accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

Introduction and overview

114. In accordance with paragraph 21 of General Assembly resolution 46/190, the Committee considered a report of the Secretary-General (A/47/287), under other business, at its 341st meeting, on 27 August 1992.

Discussion

115. Further clarification was sought and received from the Secretariat on technical considerations, existing practices within the United Nations on establishing time-limits for speakers and on the possibility of renting rather than purchasing the system.

Conclusions and recommendations

116. The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should install portable devices as described in paragraph 15 of the report of the Secretary-General, in sufficient numbers and in the most cost-effective manner possible.

117. The Committee requested the Secretariat to take into account the number of meetings at each conference-servicing location with a view to determining the number of devices required, when preparing the relevant statement of programme budget implications.

118. The Committee recommended that organs having decided on time-limits during their meetings, would use the signalling system, which, in the opinion of the Committee, could lead to significant savings in conference-servicing resources. The Committee recommended that this possibility be brought to the attention of all organs and users.

VIII. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. Membership

119. The General Assembly, in its resolution 43/222 B, decided to retain the Committee on Conferences as a permanent subsidiary organ. Pursuant to that resolution, the Committee for 1992 was composed of the following Member States: Austria, Chile, Cyprus, France, Gabon, Honduras, Hungary, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Liberia, Mexico, Mozambique, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Senegal, Turkey, Uganda and United States of America.

B. Officers

120. The Committee elected the following officers to serve in 1992:

Chairman: Mr. Imre Karbuczky (Hungary)

Vice-Chairmen: Mr. Nelson Alexander Valenzuela Soto (Honduras)
Mr. Mahmoud Barimani (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey)

Rapporteur: Mr. Mame Balla Sy (Senegal)

121. The Committee also agreed in principle at its organizational meeting, held on 17 March 1992, that the Chairman would undertake informal consultations with a view to determining the composition of the Committee's Bureau in 1993.

C. Organization of work

122. At the same meeting, the Committee agreed to meet as required to take up matters related to the calendar of conferences and its implementation, in particular the consideration of inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar. Also at the same meeting, the Committee requested the Secretariat to present a draft biennial agenda for 1994-1995 at the organizational session to be held in 1993. The Committee held its substantive session from 24 to 28 August 1992.

D. Programme of work

123. At its 326th meeting, on 6 March 1991, the Committee requested the Secretariat to present a draft provisional agenda for 1992-1993 to its organizational meeting in 1992, which was subsequently issued under the symbol A/AC.172/146 and adopted by the Committee.

124. The Assistant Secretary-General for Conference Services addressed the Committee at the opening of its organizational and substantive sessions.

125. Members of the Committee took a tour of the Office of Conference Services on 27 August 1992.

IX. WORK OF THE COMMITTEE DURING THE FORTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, FROM 17 SEPTEMBER-20 DECEMBER 1991

126. No meetings were held by the Committee on Conferences during the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly. However, the Committee was seized with requests made by the Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements and the Trust Committee of the United Nations Fund for Namibia to meet at Headquarters during the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

127. On the basis of the information presented, the Committee subsequently recommended to the General Assembly that it authorize an exception to section I, paragraph 7, of resolution 40/243, thereby granting permission to the above-mentioned bodies to meet at Headquarters during the regular session of the Assembly, on the explicit understanding that services and facilities would be provided in such a way as not to impede the work of the Assembly.

128. The Committee was also seized with requests made by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change to schedule meetings away from their established headquarters, thus representing a departure from section I, paragraph 4, of General Assembly resolution 40/243.

129. On the basis of the information provided, the Committee recommended to the General Assembly that it authorize an exception to section I, paragraph 4, of resolution 40/243, thereby granting permission to the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change to meet away from their established headquarters.

Notes

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/46/32).

2/ Ibid., Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 21 (A/47/21), para. 79, draft resolution II, para. 2 (f).

3/ Ibid., Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/43/16).

4/ A/43/329/Add.1.

Annex I

DRAFT REVISED CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OF THE PRINCIPAL ORGANS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, 1993

Explanatory notes

In the column headed "Organ"

ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECE	Economic Commission for Europe
ECLAC	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
ESCWA	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICSC	International Civil Service Commission
ILO	International Labour Organisation
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMO	International Maritime Organization
INSTRAW	International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNHCR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNITAR	United Nations Institute for Training and Research
UNRWA	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
UNU	United Nations University
UPU	Universal Postal Union
WFC	World Food Council
WHO	World Health Organization
WMO	World Meteorological Organization

In the column headed "Membership"

G	Governments
E	Experts
ST	Secretariat or secretariats

In the column headed "Servicing"

I	Interpretation
T	Translation
PV	Verbatim records
SR	Summary records

A. Draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 1993

(as at 31 August 1992)

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
1.	Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/237]	4-15 January b/	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS) T -	
2.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on Electronic Data Interchange, twenty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 2928 (XXVII)]	4-15 January	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
3.	Military Staff Committee [Charter]	8 January, once every fortnight thereafter	New York	5 G	I (CEFR) T PV	Every second Friday
4.	Fifth United Nations Cartographic Conference for the Americas [Economic and Social Council decision 1989/116]	11-15 January	New York	47 G	I (EFS) T -	
5.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women - Pre-sessional Working Group [General Assembly resolution 45/124]	11-15 January	Vienna	5 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
6.	UNCTAD - Standing Committee on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries, first session [Trade and Development Board decision 398 (XXXVIII)]	11-15 January	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	To be determined
7.	UNCTAD - Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation, first session [Trade and Development Board decision 398 (XXXVIII)]	18-22 January	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	To be determined
8.	Expert Group Meeting on Population Distribution and Migration [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	18-22 January	Santa Cruz	15 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
9.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV)]	18-29 January	New York	19 G	I (AEFRS) T -	One session every two years
10.	Eleventh Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance [Economic and Social Council resolution 1199 (XLII)]	18-29 January	New York	22 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
11.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/9]	18-29 January	Geneva	43 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
12.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 34/180]	18-29 January d/	Vienna	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
13.	Economic and Social Council - Election of Bureau [Charter]	22 January	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
14.	Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, thirty-second session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	25-26 January	New York	5 G	-	-	-	Two sessions per year
15.	UNCTAD - Ad Hoc Working Group on Interrelationship between Investment and Technology Transfer, first session [Trade and Development Board decision 398 (XXXVIII)]	25-29 January	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	To be determined
16.	Commission on Human Rights - Group of Three established under the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid [General Assembly resolution 3068 (XXVIII)]	25-29 January	Geneva	3 G	I (AEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
17.	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Situations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/41]	25-29 January	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
18.	Committee for Development Planning - Working Group II (Population Growth and Migration in Relation to Natural Resources, Environment and Development) [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	26-29 January	Geneva	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
19.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	January (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
20.	Conference on Disarmament, first part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	January-March (10 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
21.	Asian and the Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the World Conference on Human Rights [General Assembly resolution 46/116]	January (1 week)	Bangkok	48 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	
22.	UNCTAD - Standing Committee on Developing Services Sectors: Insurance, first session [Trade and Development Board decision 398 (XXXVIII)]	1-5 February	Geneva	b/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	To be determined

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
23.	Commission on Human Rights, forty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	1 February-12 March	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
24.	UNICEF - Executive Board, organizational session [Executive Board decisions 1990/1 and 1992/3]	9-10 February	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
25.	UNICEF - Executive Board, special session [Executive Board decision 1992/35]	11-12 February	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
26.	Economic and Social Council, organizational session [Charter]	2-5 February	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
27.	Commission for Social Development, thirty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 10 (II), 1139 (XLI) and 1147 (XLI)]	8-17 February	Vienna	32 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
28.	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-second session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	8-12 March	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
29.	INSTRAW - Board of Trustees, thirteenth session [General Assembly resolutions 33/187 and 34/157]	15-19 February	Santo Domingo	11 E	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year

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30.	UNDP - Governing Council, organizational meeting and special session, including Standing Committee for Programme Matters [General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX) and Governing Council decisions 85/17 and 90/23]	16-19 February	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR e/	One session per year
31.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space - Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, thirtieth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	16-26 February	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
32.	Statistical Commission, twenty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L)]	22 February-3 March	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
33.	Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201]	February (2 days)	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
34.	United Nations Preparatory Planning Meeting for the North American Symposium on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	February (2 days)	New York	12 E	I (EF)	T	-	
35.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	February (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year

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36.	Third Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution 44/25]	23 February	New York	120 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	One session every two years
37.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, organizational session [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	February (1-2 meetings)	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV a/	
38.	Group of Governmental Experts to Carry Out a Study on the Application of Confidence-Building Measures in Outer Space, third session [General Assembly resolution 45/55 B]	1-12 March	New York	12 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	
39.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, forty-second session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	1-19 March	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS) T SR	Two sessions per year
40.	Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, eleventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/67]	4-12 March	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year

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41.	ICSC, thirty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	8-26 March	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
42.	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	15-19 March	New York	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
43.	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, thirty-ninth session, second part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	15-26 March	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session in two parts per year
44.	Commission on the Status of Women, thirty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 11 (II), 1147 (XLI) and 1987/21]	17-26 March	Vienna	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
45.	Commission on the Status of Women - Working Group to Consider the Commission's Contribution to The World Conference on Human Rights [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/20]	17-26 March (4 meetings)	Vienna	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
46.	Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	19 March	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	

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47.	Committee on Natural Resources, first session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/218]	22 March-2 April	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
48.	Preparatory Committee for the World Conference on Human Rights, fourth session [General Assembly resolution 46/116]	22 March-2 April	Geneva	186 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
49.	Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, eleventh session [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	22 March-2 April	Kingston	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
50.	Human Rights Committee, forty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	22 March-8 April	New York	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
51.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space - Legal Subcommittee, thirty-second session [General Assembly resolution 1472 (XIV)]	22 March-8 April	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
52.	European Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	23-26 March	Geneva	43 G	I (EFR)	-	-	

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53.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, thirty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	29 March-7 April	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
54.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March (1 week)	New York	9 E	I (EF) T -	Two sessions per year
55.	Latin American and the Caribbean Regional Preparatory Meeting for the World Conference on Human Rights [General Assembly resolution 46/116]	March (1 week)	San José	41 G	I (EFS) T -	
56.	Preparatory Planning Meeting for the Tenth United Nations International NGO Meeting on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A)	March (2 days)	Geneva or Vienna	27 E	I (EF) T -	
57.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March/April (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	- - -	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
58.	ESCAP, forty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 37 (IV), 69 (V) and 723 B (XXVIII)]	March/April	Bangkok	48 G	I (CEFR) T -	One session per year

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59. Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	March/July (3-5 meetings per week)	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV e/	Two sessions per year
60. Committee of the Whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39]	1-6 April (4 days)	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
61. Commission on Transnational Corporations, nineteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1913 (LVII)]	5-15 April	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
62. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Contract Practices, nineteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	24 May-4 June	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
63. Commission on Science and Technology for Development, first session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/218]	12-23 April	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
64. Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/1]	13-23 April	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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65.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	15 April-15 July	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	Two sessions per year
66.	ECLAC - Committee of the Whole, twenty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolution 106 (VI)]	19-20 April	New York	41 G	I (EFS) T -	One session every two years
67.	Administrative Committee on Coordination, first regular session [Economic and Social Council resolution 13 (III)]	19-21 April	Rome (FAO hqtrs.)	27 ST	I (EF) T -	Two sessions per year
68.	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations [General Assembly resolution 40/131]	19-23 April	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS) T -	One session per year
69.	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 36/151]	19-28 April	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS) T -	One session per year
70.	Committee against Torture, tenth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	19-30 April	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS) T SR	Two sessions per year
71.	United Nations/IMO Conference of Plenipotentiaries on a Draft Convention on Maritime Liens and Mortgages [General Assembly resolution 46/213]	19 April-7 May f/	Geneva	186 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	

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72.	Disarmament Commission [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	19 April-14 May	New York	179 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
73.	ECE, forty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	20-28 April	Geneva	43 G	I (EFR)	T	-	One session per year
74.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	22 April	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
75.	Committee for Development Planning, twenty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	26-30 April	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
76.	Commission on Human Settlements, fourteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/1 and General Assembly resolution 32/162]	26 April-5 May	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
77.	UNICEF - Executive Board, Committee on Administration and Finance, Programme Committee [General Assembly resolution 57 (I)]	26 April-7 May	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR e/	One session per year
78.	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session [Charter]	29-30 April	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	

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79.	UNDP - Governing Council - Standing Committee for Programme Matters, inter-sessional meeting [Governing Council decision 90/23]	April (4 days)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	
80.	ECA - Technical Preparatory Committee of the Whole, fourteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	April	Lusaka g/	51 G	I (AEF) T -	One session per year
81.	ECA - nineteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers, twenty-eighth session of the Commission [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	April	Lusaka g/	51 G	I (AEF) T -	One session per year
82.	United Nations African Regional Seminar on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	April/May (1 week)	To be deter-mined	20 E	I (AEF) T -	
83.	United Nations African Regional NGO Symposium on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	April/May (4 days)	To be deter-mined	6 E	I (AEF)	

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84. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, thirty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/227]	3-7 May	New York	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	
85. International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-fourth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	3-14 May	Vienna	13 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	Two or three sessions per year
86. International Law Commission, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	3 May-23 July	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
87. UNCTAD - Special Committee on Preferences, twentieth session [UNCTAD resolution 77 (III)]	10-14 May	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
88. UNEP - Governing Council, seventeenth session [General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 42/185]	10-21 May	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
89. Committee on Information, fifteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/115 C]	10-28 May	New York	79 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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90.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	10 May-4 June	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
91.	Trusteeship Council (and drafting committees), sixtieth session [Charter]	11-21 May	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV e/	One session per year
92.	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery [Economic and Social Council decision 16 (LVI)]	17-28 May	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year
93.	United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, forty-second session [General Assembly resolution 913 (X)]	17-28 May	Vienna	21 G	I (CEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
94.	High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, eighth session [General Assembly resolution 33/134]	24-28 May	New York	186 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
95.	Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, thirty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI)]	31 May-4 June	Rome	42 G	I (AEFS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year

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96.	UNITAR - Board of Trustees, thirty-first session [General Assembly resolution 1934 (XVIII)]	May (1 week)	New York	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
97.	United Nations European Regional Seminar on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	May (4 days)	To be deter-mined	20 E	I (EF)	T	-	
98.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	May (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-	Four meetings per year
99.	UNICEF - Executive Board, organizational session [Executive Board decision 1990/1]	May (1 day)	New York	41 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
100.	Conference on Disarmament, second part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	May-June (7 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
101.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 A (IV)]	May/June (5 weeks)	Geneva	7 E	I (EF)	T	PV h/	Two sessions per year
102.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Committee of Actuaries [General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV), article XXIX]	May/June (1 week)	New York	6 E	I (ER)	T	-	One session per year

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103. Latin American and the Caribbean Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	May/June (1 week)	Mexico City	41 G	I (EFS) T -	
104. UNDP - Governing Council, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX)]	1-22 June	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	One session per year
105. UNDP - Governing Council - Budgetary and Finance Committee [decision of the Governing Council at its twelfth session]	1-22 June	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
106. UNDP - Governing Council - Standing Committee for Programme Matters [Governing Council decision 90/23]	1-22 June	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	
107. Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	7-18 June	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV	One session per year

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108. World Conference on Human Rights [General Assembly resolution 45/155]	14-25 June i/	Vienna	186 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	
109. Committee on Contributions, fifty-third session [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	14 June-2 July	New York	18 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
110. Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Struggling People of South Africa [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	16 June	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV	
111. United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	28-30 June	New York	3 E	- - -	Two sessions per year
112. Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	28 June-2 July	New York	25 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
113. Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - Pre-sessional Working Group [Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/4]	28 June-2 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS) T -	One session per year
114. Economic and Social Council, substantive session [Charter]	28 June-30 July	Geneva	54 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR e/	One session per year

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115. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, twenty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI)]	5-23 July	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
116. UNU - Council, thirty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	February (1 week)	Tokyo	27 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
117. United Nations North American Regional NGO Symposium on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	June (3 days)	New York	6 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	
118. United Nations North American Regional Seminar on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	June (2 days)	To be deter-mined	10 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	
119. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, African Region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/11]	Second quarter (1 week)	Addis Ababa	51 G	I (AEF)	T	-	One session per year
120. Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	5-9 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year

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121. Group of Governmental Experts to Carry Out a Study on the Application of Confidence-Building Measures in Outer Space, fourth session [General Assembly resolution 45/55 B]	6-16 July	New York	12 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
122. Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/104]	12-23 July	Geneva	14 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One or two sessions per year
123. ICSC, thirty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	12-30 July	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
124. Human Rights Committee, forty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	12-30 July	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
125. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Communications [Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII)]	19-30 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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126. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Indigenous Populations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/34]	19-30 July	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-		One session per year
127. Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	July/August (20 meetings)	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	e/	Two sessions per year
128. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1-2 weeks)	New York	33 E	I (EF)	T	-		One session per year
129. Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1 day)	New York	9 E	-	-	-		Four meetings per year
130. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board - Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July/August (1 day)	New York	9 E	I (EF)	T	-		Two sessions per year
131. Conference on Disarmament, third part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	July-September (7 weeks)	Geneva	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV		One session in three parts per year

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132. Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, forty-third session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	2-20 August	Geneva	18 E	I T SR (CEFRS)	Two sessions per year
133. Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, forty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	2-27 August	Geneva	26 E	I T SR (ACEFRS)	One session per year
134. Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Struggle of Women in South Africa [General Assembly resolution 36/172 K]	9 August	New York	17 G	I T PV (ACEFRS)	
135. Population Commission, twenty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 150 (VII) and 1147 (XLI)]	10-13 August	New York	27 G	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session every two years
136. Population Commission acting as the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/91 and 1991/93]	16-19 August	New York	27 G	I T - (ACEFRS)	

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137. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fortieth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/227]	30 August-3 September	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T -	
138. Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/...] j/	August (1 week)	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS)	T -	
139. Tenth United Nations International NGO Meeting on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	August (3 days)	Geneva or Vienna	6 E	I (AEFS)	T -	
140. United Nations European Regional NGO Symposium on the the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	August (3 days)	Geneva or Vienna	6 E	I (EF)	T -	
141. Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea [General Assembly resolution 37/66]	August/ September (4 weeks)	Geneva, Kingston or New York	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T -	

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142. UNRWA - Advisory Commission [General Assembly resolution 302 (IV)]	August/ September (1 day)	Vienna	10 G	I (AEF)	-	-	One session per year
143. UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-third session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	2-7 September	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
144. Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, thirty-third session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	7-9 September	New York	5 G	-	-	-	Two sessions per year
145. Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	7 September-December	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
146. UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, fortieth session, first part [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	13-24 September	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session in two parts per year
147. General Assembly, forty-eighth session [Charter]	21 September-December	New York	179 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV/SR k/	
148. UNDP - Governing Council, Standing Committee for Programme Matters, inter-sessional meeting [Governing Council decision 90/23]	September (4 days)	New York	48 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	

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149. United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	September/ October (1 meeting)	New York	20 E	-	-	-	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
150. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on the New International Economic Order, sixteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Third quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
151. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on Electronic Data Interchange, twenty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 2928 (XXVII)]	Third quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
152. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin American and Caribbean Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/34 and 1988/15]	Third quarter (1 week)	Santiago	41 G	I (EFS)	T	-	One session per year
153. Special Committee against Apartheid - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with South African Political Prisoners [General Assembly resolution 32/105 I]	11 October	New York	17 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	

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154. UNHCR - Executive Committee, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII)]	11-15 October	Geneva	46 G	I (ACEFS)	T	SR	One session per year
155. Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	11-15 October	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	-	Three sessions per year
156. Human Rights Committee, forty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	18 October-5 November	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
157. Administrative Committee on Coordination, second regular session [Economic and Social Council resolution 13 (III)]	19-20 October	New York	27 ST	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
158. Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	October (3 days)	New York	34 G 27 ST	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

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159. Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, twenty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX)]	October (2 days)	New York	13 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
160. United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 (IV)]	October/ November (5 weeks)	New York	7 E	I (EF)	T	PV h/	Two sessions per year
161. International Narcotics Control Board, fifty-fifth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	1-18 November	Vienna	13 E	I (AEFRS)	T	-	Two or three sessions per year
162. Committee against Torture, eleventh session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	8-19 November	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
163. Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods [Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/104]	22 November-3 December	Geneva	14 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One or two sessions per year

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164. Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33 and 1985/17]	22 November-10 December	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
165. Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [General Assembly resolution 347 (IV)]	23-30 November	New York	9 E	I (EF)	-	-	One session per year
166. Fifth meeting of States Parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	24 November	Geneva	40-50 G	I (EFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
167. Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People - Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolutions 32/40 B and 33/28]	29 November	New York	23 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
168. UNCTAD - Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices, twelfth session [TD/B/RPB/CONF.10/Rev.1, sect. G, para. 6, endorsed by General Assembly resolution 35/63]	29 November-3 December	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
169. United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	November (1 day)	New York	186 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	
170. Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	November (1 day)	New York	9 E	- - -	Four meetings per year
171. Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	186 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One meeting per year
172. Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	186 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One meeting per year
173. United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	1-2 December	New York	3 E	- - -	Two sessions per year
174. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, forty-first session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/227]	1-10 December	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS) T -	

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175. Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI)]	6-7 December	Rome	42 G	I (AEFS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
176. Commission on Human Rights - Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/...] j/	6-17 December	Geneva	6 E	I (EFS)	T	-	
177. Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII) and 1765 (LIV)]	9-15 December	Geneva	25 E	I (EFS)	T	-	One session every two years
178. UNU - Council, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	To be determined (1 week)	Tokyo	27 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year
179. UNDP - Inter-Agency Consultative Meeting [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	December (3 days)	New York	33 ST	-	-	-	
180. Disarmament Commission, organizational session [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	December (2 days)	New York	179 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
181. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law - Working Group on International Contract Practices, twentieth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	Fourth quarter (2 weeks)	Vienna	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
182. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and Pacific Region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	Fourth quarter (1 week)	Bangkok	42 G	I (CEFR) T -	One session per year
183. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	Fourth quarter (1 week)	A capital in the region	18 G	I (AE) T -	One session per year
184. Security Council [Charter]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T PV	As required
185. Security Council - Committee established under Security Council resolution 421 (1977) concerning the question of South Africa	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
186. Security Council Committee of Experts [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1st meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
187. Security Council - Committee of Experts established by the Security Council at its 1506th meeting	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required

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188. Security Council - Committee on the Admission of New Members [decision taken by the Security Council at its 42nd meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
189. Security Council - Committee on Council Meetings Away from Headquarters [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1625th meeting]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
190. Security Council - Ad Hoc Committee established under Security Council resolution 507 (1982)	As required	New York	4 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
191. Security Council - Commission established under Security Council resolution 446 (1979)	As required	New York	3 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
192. Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
193. Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 724 (1991) concerning Yugoslavia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required

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194. Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 748 (1992) concerning the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
195. Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
196. Security Council - Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to resolution 687 (1991)	As required	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
197. Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	As required	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	As required
198. Special Committee against Apartheid [General Assembly resolution 1761 (XVII)]	As required	New York	17 G	I (AEFRS) T SR	As required
199. Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolution 3376 (XXX)]	As required	New York	23 G	I (ACEFRS) T SR	As required
200. United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine [General Assembly resolution 194 (III)]	As required	New York	3 G	I (EF) T -	As required

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
201. Trust Committee for the United Nations Fund for Namibia [General Assembly resolution 44/243 B]	As required	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	-	As required
202. Committee on Conferences [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	As required	New York	21 G	I (AEFRS)	T	-	As required
203. Committee on Relations with the Host Country [General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI)]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	As required
204. UNCTAD - other commodity conferences and commodity meetings [Trade and Development Board decision 7 (I)]	As required (up to 24 weeks)	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	As required
205. UNCTAD - other working parties, study groups and expert groups (convened by virtue of a special resolution in each particular case)	As required (up to 12 weeks)	Geneva	G or E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	As required
206. Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements [General Assembly resolution 957 (X)]	If required	New York	29 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	If required
207. Committee on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution 44/25]	To be determined (3 weeks)	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
208. Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, extra-ordinary session [Economic and Social Council decision 1992/259]	To be determined (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I T SR (ACEFRS)	
209. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, sixth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/243]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I T - (EFS)	
210. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, seventh session [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/243]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I T - (EFS)	
211. Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, eighth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1991/243]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I T - (EFS)	
212. Scientific and Technical Committee on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction, fifth session [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	25 E	I T - (ACEFRS)	One session per year
213. Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, European Region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/28]	To be determined (1 week)	Vienna	43 G	I T - (EFR)	

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
214. Western Asian Regional Preparatory Meeting for the International Conference on Population and Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/93]	To be determined (1 week)	Amman	13 G	I (AEF)	T	-	
215. United Nations Conference on the Indian Ocean [General Assembly resolution 46/49]	To be determined (10 days) 1/	Colombo	186 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
216. Commission against Apartheid in Sports [General Assembly resolution 40/64 G]	To be determined (7 days)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
217. Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa [General Assembly resolution 43/50 J]	To be determined (4 days)	New York	11 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
218. Second Meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	To be deter-mined	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/			Periodicity
219. Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention against Apartheid in Sports [General Assembly resolution 40/64 G]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
220. Special High-level Council for the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction [General Assembly resolution 44/236]	To be determined (1 day)	Geneva	6 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
221. General Assembly, resumed forty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 45/264]	To be determined	New York	179 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV/SR k/	
222. United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, seventeenth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 715 (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV)]	To be determined	New York	80 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session every two years
223. Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa [General Assembly resolution 2054 B (XX)]	To be determined	New York	5 G	I (EFS)	T	-	As required
224. Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa [General Assembly resolution 2431 (XXIII)]	To be determined	New York	13 G	I (EFRS)	T	-	As required

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
225. Committee for Development Planning - Working Group I [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
226. Committee for Development Planning - Working Group III [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI)]	To be determined	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year
227. Committee on the Protection of the Rights of Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	To be determined	Geneva	14 E	I (ACEFRS) T SR	One session per year once Convention enters into force
228. UNCTAD - other meetings of Standing Committees [Trade and Development Board decision 398 (XXXVIII)]	To be determined	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	To be determined
229. UNCTAD - other meetings of Ad Hoc Working Groups [Trade and Development Board decision 398 (XXXVIII)]	To be determined	Geneva	c/	I (ACEFRS) T -	To be determined
230. World Food Council, nineteenth ministerial session [General Assembly resolution 3348 (XXIX)]	To be determined	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS) T -	One session per year

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/	Periodicity
231. United Nations Latin American and Caribbean Regional Seminar on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	To be determined (1 week)	To be determined	20 E	I (EFS) T -	
232. United Nations Latin American and Caribbean Regional NGO Symposium on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolution 46/74 A]	To be determined (3 days)	To be determined	6 E	I (EFS) T -	
233. ESCWA, seventeenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1818 (LV)]	To be determined	To be determined	13 G	I (AEF) T -	One session every two years
234. Meeting between the secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the secretariats of the United Nations system [General Assembly resolution 37/4]	To be determined	To be determined	25 ST	I (AEF) T -	One session per year
235. Meeting between representatives of the Secretariat of the United Nations and of the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States [General Assembly resolution 45/82]	To be determined	To be determined	25 ST	I (AEF) T -	One session per year

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b/ Alternative date if the December 1992 session is not held.

c/ Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

d/ To be extended by one week subject to approval by the General Assembly.

e/ For plenary meetings only.

f/ To be confirmed after consultations between UNCTAD and IMO.

g/ Subject to approval by the General Assembly.

h/ When holding oral hearings.

i/ Pre-conference consultations will be held from 9 to 11 June.

j/ Bodies whose mandates are due to expire, but are expected to be presented for renewal to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session.

k/ It has been the practice to provide verbatim records for plenary meetings and First Committee meetings only.

l/ To be preceded by two days of pre-conference consultations.

B. List of bodies whose mandates are to be presented for renewal to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session

Organ	Dates (1993)	Location	Member-ship	Servicing a/		
1. Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean	To be determined	New York	44 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR
2. Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization	To be determined	New York	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-
3. Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	To be determined	New York	9 G	I (EF)	T	-
4. Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories	To be determined	Geneva	3 G	I (AEF)	T	PV b/
5. Preparatory Committee for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations	To be determined	New York	29 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-

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b/ When holding oral hearings.

Annex II

DRAFT REVISED CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS OF THE PRINCIPAL ORGANS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, 1993

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location
1.	WHO - Executive Board, ninety-first session	11 or 18 January	Geneva
2.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-fifth session	15 February-5 March	Geneva
3.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-eighth session	22 February-26 March	Montreal
4.	IAEA - Board of Governors	22 February (3 or 4 days)	Vienna
5.	UNIDO - Programme and Budget Committee, ninth session	26-30 April	Vienna
6.	IAEA - Board of Governors, Administrative and Budgetary Committee	11 May	Vienna
7.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-sixth session	20-29 May	Geneva
8.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and thirty-ninth session	31 May-30 June	Montreal
9.	WHO - World Health Assembly, forty-sixth session	May (first 2 weeks)	Geneva
10.	ILO - General Conference, eightieth session	2-22 June	Geneva
11.	FAO - Council, one hundred and third session	14-25 June	Rome
12.	UNIDO - Industrial Development Board, eleventh session	28 June-2 July	Vienna
13.	IAEA - Board of Governors	14 June	Vienna
14.	WMO - Executive Council, forty-fifth session	June	Geneva

	Organ	Dates (1993)	Location
15.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-seventh session	June	Geneva
16.	IAEA - Board of Governors	22-25 September	Vienna
17.	IAEA - General Conference	27 September-1 October	Vienna
18.	IAEA - Board of Governors	4 October	Vienna
19.	IMF/World Bank - annual meetings of the Boards of Governors	28-30 September	Washington, D.C.
20.	IMO - Assembly	October-November (2 weeks)	London
21.	UPU - Executive Council	October-November	Berne
22.	FAO - Council, one hundred and fourth session	2-4 November	Rome
23.	ILO - Governing Body and its Committees, two hundred and fifty-eighth session	4-19 November	Geneva
24.	FAO - Conference, twenty-seventh session	6-25 November	Rome
25.	ICAO - Council, one hundred and fortieth session	15 November-17 December	Montreal
26.	FAO - Council, one hundred and fifth session	26 November	Rome
27.	UNIDO - General Conference, fifth session	6-10 December	Yaounde

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